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NEW REDUCTION OF STATE RETAIL PRICES ON FOOD
AND MANUFACTURED COMMODITIES

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The Council of Ministers USSR and the Central Committee of the CPSU have decreed:

1. To lower, as of 1 April 1954, state retail prices on food and manufactured products as follows:

Reduction, in percent
(An asterisk (*) indicates average reduction for products)

Baked Bread, Flour, and Macaroni Products

Rye bread	8
Wheat bread, rolls, and other bakery products	5
Rye, wheat, corn, and other types of flour	5
Soya pancake flour	15
Macaroni, vermicelli, noodles, and other macaroni products	5

Grain and Fodder

Rye	8
Wheat, oats, barley, and other types of grain; bran, oil cakes, grist, all-mash, hay, and straw	5*

Grocery Products

Black Baikha tea	10
Natural coffee; cocoa; coffee, tea, and cocoa beverages	15*
Coarse salt	10
Ground bulk salt	20

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TextilesReduction (%)Batiste, marquisette, and other light cotton
dress fabrics; cotton upholstery and drapery
fabrics

20*

Cotton fabrics with artificial silk

10

Calico, sateen, and other cotton fabrics

15*

Natural silk fabrics

10*

Ready-to-Wear Clothing, Knitwear, and HeadwearDresses, blouses, and other garments made of light
cotton dress fabrics

15*

Dresses, blouses, underwear, and other garments made of
other cotton fabrics

10*

Dresses, blouses, underwear, and other garments made of
natural silk

7*

Knitwear

8*

Cotton hosiery

20*

Silk and other types of hosiery

10*

Kapron hosiery

25*

Headwear made of cotton, silk, part wool, and coarse
cloth fabrics

10

Straw hats

10

Footwear

Leather footwear

7*

Cloth and cloth-leather footwear

20*

Galoshes; rubber overshoes, boots, and other rubber
footwear

12*

Dry Goods

Textile dry goods

10*

Threads and articles made of thread

15*

Lamp shades

10*

Cotton batting and cotton wool

15

Needles (sewing, sewing-machine, hand, and others)

20

Jewelry

10*

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<u>Soap, Perfumery, and Cosmetics</u>	<u>Reduction (%)</u>
Household soap	15*
Toilet soap	20*
Perfume, eau de cologne, and other toiletries and cosmetics	10*
<u>Cultural Goods and Toys</u>	
Writing paper, notebooks, and other paper and cardboard articles	10*
Pencils, pens, straight pens, and other writing and drafting materials and stationery	15
Rubber, celluloid, metal, and other toys; Christmas tree decorations	15*
Cameras	10*
Photographic paper, plates, and other equipment	15
Radio tubes	15*
<u>China, Pottery, and Glassware</u>	
China and pottery	15*
Glassware, crystal, lamps, and mirrors	10*
<u>Housewares</u>	
Electric bulbs, electrical heating equipment, washing machines, and vacuum cleaners	10
Saws, drills, and various locksmiths' and joiners' tools	20*
Metal beds	15
Hardware articles and locks	10*
Pitchforks, scythes, sickles	20
Cutlery	15*
Metal lamps and lanterns	20
Feather and down articles	10

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<u>Construction Materials</u>	<u>Reduction (%)</u>
Slate	10
Soft roofing material	20
Plywood	15
Cement	20
Varnish, paints, and household chemicals	10*
Sanitary and technical equipment	10
Wallpaper	20
Hotbed frames	30
<u>Matches and Petroleum Products</u>	
Matches	20
Motor gasoline and lubricating oils	44.5
Kerosene for lighting	38
<u>Sports Goods and Other Manufactured Products</u>	
Bladders for balls used in sports	10
Racing and figure skates	15
"Snegurochka," "Sport," and other brands of skates	5
Skis and accessories	10
Hunting and fishing equipment	10*
Plastic articles	10
<u>Medicines and Other Sanitary and Hygienic Goods</u>	
Medicines and other sanitary and hygienic articles	15*
Rubber sanitary and hygienic articles	10*

2. To reduce prices, correspondingly, in restaurants, public dining rooms, and other public eating enterprises.

3. To conduct a reciprocal sale of grain and oil cakes in procuring raw cotton, silk cocoons, kenaf products, flax fiber, and hemp, for which preferential prices, with a 10 percent retail price discount, are in effect.

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